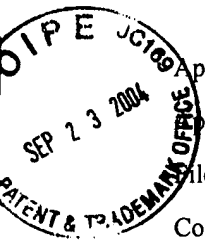


IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



Applicant: Robert L. Stewart, Ramanathan R. Kavasseri and Sandra C. Durham
Application No.: 09/317,746 Group: 2172
Filed: May 24, 1999 Examiner: Woo, Isaac M.

Confirmation No.: 9501

For: PRIORITIZING NETWORK MANAGEMENT TRAFFIC

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION	
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, or is being facsimile transmitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office on:	
9-21-04	<i>Pamela Sarno</i>
Date	Signature
PAMELA SARNO	
Typed or printed name of person signing certificate	

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The undersigned attorney petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for filing a Notice of Appeal in reply to the Office Action made Final dated April 21, 2004 for two months, from July 21, 2004 to September 21, 2004 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

In lieu of filing a Notice of Appeal, Applicants' Attorney is filing a Request for Continued Examination concurrently herewith.

	<u>Small Entity</u>	<u>Other than Small Entity</u>
1 month -	\$ 55	\$ 110
2 months -	\$ 210	X \$ 420
3 months -	\$ 475	\$ 950
4 months -	\$ 740	\$1,480
5 months -	\$1,005	\$2,010

- [X] A check is enclosed in the amount of the extension fee indicated above, or the extension fee has been included in the check with the accompanying Reply.
- [] Please charge Deposit Account No. 08-0380 in the amount of \$[] to cover the cost of the extension fee.

Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 08-0380. A copy of this letter is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,
HAMILTON, BROOK, SMITH & REYNOLDS, P.C.

09/24/2004 WABDELRI 00000059 09317746

02 FC:1252

420.00 OP

By *Carol M. Fleming*
Caroline M. Fleming
Registration No. 45,566
Telephone (978) 341-0036
Facsimile (978) 341-0136

Concord, Massachusetts 01742-9133

Dated: 9/21/04